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FACILITATING IP-BASED MULTICASTING CONTROL CONNECTIONS

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

One embodiment of the disclosures made herein is an Internet Protocol (IP) multicast control system. In accordance with such IP multicast control system, the IP multicast control system includes a first module capable of facilitating IP multicast control connections between a first apparatus and a second apparatus and a second module capable of enabling termination of a control protocol of the first module. The second module is capable of being supported at an Asynchronous Transfer Mode (ATM) layer of the second apparatus.